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BROOKLYN OFFICE

RE: USA v. Carlos Tejada 06-cr-018 (JG)

Dear Judge Gleeson:

I represent Mr. Carlos Tejada in the above-referenced matter. The case is scheduled for a conference before your Honor on Tuesday, September 5, 2006. I will be on vacation with my family in Seattle from September 2 until September 9 and unable to appear.

I have spoken with Daniel Felber, Esq. who represents co-defendant Vicente Martinez. Mr. Felber has agreed to stand-in for me and represent my client at the conference. I have discussed this matter with my client who has consented to this arrangement.

Accordingly, I request permission to be excused from the conference and have Mr. Felber act in my stead. Alternatively, I would ask for permission to appear telephonically.

Thank you,